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Hon. Ronnie Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
New York, New York 10007
via email

**Re: United States v. Jason Galanis,
16 Cr. 371 (RA)**

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Your Honor,

I write to request a clarification of the Court's intention and to inform the Court of the way in which Senior Counsel for the Bureau of Prisons recommends that the judgment be written to effectuate the Court's wishes.

First, I understood the Court's intention to sentence Mr. Galanis to 60 months consecutive to the 135 months that he already received. I also understood that the Court wished to give Mr. Galanis credit for the fifteen months that he spent in federal custody prior to this sentence. If the Court wishes to actually give Mr. Galanis credit for the fifteen months on this case, I respectfully suggest that the Court adjust the consecutive portion of his sentence by fifteen months. In other words, indicate that 45 months rather than 60 months should run consecutive to the 135 months. The government objects to this suggestion.

Regarding the way in which the judgment should be written, I spoke with Paul Irby, Esq. who is Senior Counsel for the Bureau of Prisons Designation and Computation Center in Grand Prairie, Texas. The Center does the calculation of and determines designations for all federal sentences. Mr. Irby recommends that in order to avoid confusion the judgment should say something like:

“The defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons to be imprisoned for a total term of ____ . ____ months shall be served concurrently with defendant's sentence imposed in case no. 15 Cr. 643 (PKC), with the remaining ____ months to be served consecutively.”

Respectfully,

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cc: Rebecca Mermelstein, Esq.

The Government shall respond by noon tomorrow. SO ORDERED.

Ronnie Abrams, U.S.D.J.
August 15, 2017